When KEVIN BEATTIE climbed the fence to watch Carlisle

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Barnsley love of the butcher's boy

TO THE butcher's boy from Barnsley, his home town team were the greatest thing since roast beef.

And as for their centre-forward, Tony

And as for their centre-forward, Tony Leighton, he was a giant among men—at least to 14-year-old Stephen Daley.

Now, 13 years on, Stephen is better known as Steve, one of Britain's 'Million Pound Club' following his transfer from Wolves, but he still has a soft spot for Barnsley.

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He recalled: "I was Barnsley mad as a kid. Everything revolved around the Saturday match.

"There was a group of us who went along without fail then hung about outside for the autographs.

"We went as far as Bradford, Lincoln, Huddersfield and Stockport!

"Tony Leighton was my big hero. A burstling centre-forward, great in the air, scored a lot of goals and came in for a lot of stick.

"I remember once against Scunthorpe, in the Cup, he came out with leg and head bandaged but showed a lot of guts. "Eric Winstanley, Eddie O'Hara and Ron Smilie were the names I remember too, but funnily enough it was a former Barnsley player, Malcolm Graham, who led me to eventually join Wolves."

Right: Steve Daley — the million pound-plus man who's affections lie with Barnsley FC.

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WHO were the boyhood heroes of today's stars? Who were the teams they followed and the idols they looked up to? Match Weekly has been speaking to three top players in the game about their "other sides" in the second part of our great new series.

I climbed the fence to watch



WHEN the results come through just after five on a Saturday afternoon in the Ipswich dressing room, Kevin Beattie listens intently for the radio announcer to call the name of his favourite team.

Not for him the glamour clubs of Liverpool, Manchester United or Spurs, though he is keen to know how their scores effect lpswich.

The former England defender must wait agonising minutes for Third Division results and the name C-A-R-L-I-S-L-E U-N-I-T-E-D to echo through the after-match inquest.

"I'm a Carlisle lad and always look for their results," said Beattie. "They were my heroes as a boy, when I used to climb over the fence at the Warwick Road end in my blue and white scarf to get in for nothing.

Left: Kevin Beattie — always listens closely for the Carlisle result.

Carlisle

"Hughie McIlmoyle, George McVittie and Alan Ross, the goalkeeper, were my heroes and it was always very sad for me that I never played for them. "I played on Brunton Park as a

"I played on Brunton Park as a schoolboy, but there was no opportunity to sign for them then, because they didn't have a youth team.

"The greatest game I remember there was when I was 14 and saw them beat Celtic 2-1 in the Anglo Scottish Cup. There

was a tremendous atmosphere.
"When Ipswich played there
once in the First Division I was
made captain for the day. I'll
never forget it because I missed a
sitter of a header. I made sure in
the return game though and
scored the first goal in our 3-2
win at Portman Road with a right
foot shot past Alan Ross."



SOUTHAMPTON'S Chris Nicholl always followed the fortunes of Wolves as a youngster — but don't ask him why

wolves as a youngster but don't ask him why.
"I don't really know why it was Wolves," Nicholl told Match.
"I lived in Wilmslow, Cheshire,

"I lived in Wilmslow, Cheshire, and everybody else was supporting the two Manchester sides. Perhaps it was because I wanted to be different.





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IT is the ambition of every young fan to meet his favourite player, to be able to talk to him and to get the answers to questions he always longed to ask. Unfortunately, for all but the lucky few it will

But now we at Match Weekly intend to make at always remain a dream. least part of that dream come true for many more. For beginning next week we will be starting a brand new feature called 'Tackle a Star' in which the players

themselves will answer YOUR questions. So if you've got something to ask your favourite player, no matter how off beat or unusual it may be, write a letter or send a postcard to Tackle a Star, Match Weekly, Midgate House, Midgate, Peterborough PE1 1UB. We'll put the questions to the

I look forward to receiving your questions—and to star of your choice. The Editor reading the players' answers.

FA Cup extra *********

EXTRA TIME will be played in FA Cup semi-final first matches from next season. The FA decided on this move at their annual meeting in Harrogate, after last season's four match marathon between Liverpool and Arsenal which lasted seven hours, before Arsenal reached the final.

Fact-finders

TEN members of the Association of Football Statisticians returned this week from a fact-finding mission to Scotland.

Led by their secretary Ray Spiller, the group planned to visit all 38 Scottish League grounds in just five days and expected to cover 2,500 miles after first visiting Pittodrie, home of Aberdeen and finally Cathkin Park, home of Morton.

They also planned to visit the derelict remains of Third Lanark FC, disbanded in 1962, but their final call was to the Scottish League in Glasgow, where they were hoping to celebrate their marathon.

For further details about the statisticians club, contact: R. J. Spiller, 5 Hempstalls, Basildon, Essex.

Pejic fights back

MIKE Pejic has spent all summer getting himself fit in preparation for the new season.

The former Stoke City and Everton defender suffered a pelvic injury several months ago and he has been troubled ever

A manipulative operation and some injections has eased the problem considerably and now he is keen to get back into the First Division.

He admits: "At one time ! thought my playing career had finished. Then I went to a Manchester specialist and he has treated me over the past few months

"I've been jogging, swimming and stretching this summer and recently he told me I could step up my training and I hope that next month I will be back to normal and pushing for my League place."

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moves

NEWCASTLE United manager Bill McGarry has been chasing Ray Clarke for four years - and now he's got him.

The 27-year-old striker has made Newcastle his eighth club "and hopefully my last" - in an £180,000 move from Brighton.

Clarke is one of soccer's happy wanderers. He started his career with Spurs then moved to Swindon, Mansfield, Sparta Rotterdam, Ajax Amsterdam,

Left: Ray Clarke, Newcastle is his eighth club.

Bruges of Belgium and Brighton. McGarry was team chief at Wolves when he first began the chase for Clarke's signature.

The player was then banging in goals for Mansfield and scored 52 in 91 League games.

But Clarke crossed the North Sea to Holland . . . on McGarry's recommendation to Sparta.

His success with the Rotterdam club sparked a move to mighty Ajax and then to Bruges before coming home.

Clarke got eight goals in 29 games for Brighton last season,

Taylor dash

NORWICH striker Alan Taylor, two goal hero of West Ham's 1975 FA Cup Final triumph, is quitting British football. Taylor, in and out of Norwich's First Division side last season, dashed to Canada from his holiday in Tenerife to sign for Soccer Bowl holders Vancouver Whitecaps in a £90,000 deal.

FRONT COVER: This week's main cover picture shows Nottingham Forest central defender Kenny Burns in swashbuckling action against Aston Villa.

Sheik O'Farrell returns

FRANK O'Farrell, the former Manchester United manager is returning to the Middle East for a second time, to take up an appointment as coach to United Arab Emirates club Al Shaab. O'Farrell, who has been consultant to Fourth Division Torquay has signed a two-year, £80,000 contract.

FIFA axe refs

REFEREE David Syme was on his pre-season whistling stint in the United States when he heard the news he had been bombed off the FIFA list along with Tommy Muirhead.

The two refs have been replaced by Eddie Pringle and Ken Hope — a move which surprised everyone in view of the fact that both Syme and Muirhead were part of the three-man team which officiated at the European championships.

The SFA base their recommendations on markings over a period of three years and Hope and Pringle got better marks.

I'm staying, says Daley

STEVE Daley has put an emphatic end to the speculation surrounding his future with Manchester City.

"I'm staying," he told MATCH WEEKLY, in an exclusive interview.

"I've had a meeting with the gaffer, Tony Book, and we spoke a few truths and cleared up all the newspaper talk about my future.

"It was a very good meeting and he assured me there was a place for me at Manchester City. He doesn't want me to leave and I told him I didn't want to go.

"I know I could have worked harder at times last season, but I'm going to buckle down to it now and really work hard in preparation for the season.

"The only thing to sort out now is just where I will play in midfield. It looks like it will be my favourite left-side position with probably Paul Power and Nicky Reid or 'Kazzy' Deyna in the middle and Tony Henry on the right.

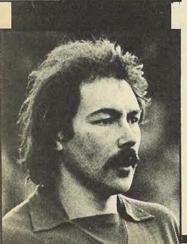
"I played on the left against my old club Wolves at Molineux at the end of last season and we won 2-1. At that late stage it was at last beginning to work for me.

"The fans have been very good to me. I just hope they will be patient because given a good start we can have a good season."

Right: Steve Daley takes a rest from training on the shoulders of Manchester City's other £1m signing, Kevin Reeves.







Steve Marks time

SPARE a thought for Steve Humphries, 19 year old understudy to Mark Wallington at Leicester City.

Hull-born Steve joined Leicester from Goole Town in 1977 but after three years hasn't yet had a sniff of first team football.

In fact Wallington hasn't missed a first team game for 5½ seasons. He has played uninterrupted since an FA Cup-tie with Oxford United at Filbert Street in January 1975—and that's an incredible 252 successive appearances.

"Of course, I feel sorry for Steve," said Wallington. "He has been here since he was 16 and hasn't had a first team chance yet. But he's a great lad and has shown a lot of patience.

Above left: Steve Humphries — still waiting for his chance.

Left: The man who is keeping him out — Mark Wallington, an ever-present for more than five seasons! Wallington, who was on the transfer list for most of last season, has now resolved his problems with the club and signed a new three-year

"I'm happy it's all settled and I'm really looking forward to the start of the season," Wallington told MATCH.

Baines deal

FOLLOWING a Football League tribunal Walsall have been instructed to pay Bradford City £50,000 for defender Steve Baines.

The Northern club wanted £95,000 but Walsall were only prepared to pay £30,000.

Now both parties are happy and the player is able to get down to his job of helping Walsall maintain their progress up the soccer ladder.

One outcome of the arrival of Baines is that Walsall are now prepared to part with Ricky

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A natural goalgetter that's Austin



WALSALL made the drop from Division Three in 1978/79 convinced they could bounce back the next season.

They achieved their goal in spectacular style — and leading scorer Don Penn says those teams relegated from the Third last season must take a leaf out of the Walsall book.

"Towards the end of the previous season we were really downhearted," Penn said.

"But Alan Buckley took over and told us to forget about it and

LEFT: Don Penn — Midlands Soccer Writers' Young Player of the Year for 1979-80. He says relegated clubs mustn't lose confidence in themselves.

DON PENN (Walsall)

tell ourselves we were good enough for Division Three. Bury, Southend, Mansfield and Wimbledon have got to adopt the same attitude.

"From what I remember when we were in the Third, MANSFIELD are a useful side and I think they'll do well in the Fourth.

"I was impressed with Terry Austin — he's a natural goalscorer. "I'm also going for BRADFORD CITY and HEREFORD to go up."

Countdown

to the

new season

Hereford had to apply for re-election last season so Penn's choice will surprise a lot of people. But the Midland's Soccer Writers' Young Player of the Year says they've got enough skill to go all the way.

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"The ability is there — it's just a matter of Hereford finding the right blend. They looked really good against us but had a change of manager during the season and this must have affected them.

"HALIFAX are another tip of mine."

DON PENN

- 1 Bradford City
- 2 Mansfield
- 3 Hereford
- 4 Halifax

JOE LAIDLAW

- 1 Peterborough
- 2 Wigan
- 3 Aldershot
- 4 Tranmere

WATCH POSH GO!

JOE LAIDLAW (Portsmouth)

THIS has got to be the year when WIGAN get it together and make the big step to Division Three, says Portsmouth skipper Joe Laidlaw.

"If they can string a few more results together you've got to fancy Wigan," said Laidlaw.

"They're a big side and should have no trouble in the bad conditions. They also stroke the ball about well.

"BRADFORD CITY will consider themselves unlucky after last season and it will be interesting

to see how they start off.
"PETERBOROUGH will be very
prominent — Billy Kellock is a
vital part of their team and they'll
suffer if he leaves.

"I also fancy two of the southern teams — BOURNEMOUTH and ALDERSHOT — to go well.

"Aldershot have my old team-mate Colin Garwood in their side. He'll do very well again — last season he was top scorer at Portsmouth and Aldershot.

"TRANMERE are my outside bet for promotion. They've got some good forwards — Steve Peplow in particular is very lively."

Portsmouth claimed last year's fourth promotion spot only by virtue of Bradford City's defeat at Peterborough in the last game.

But Laidlaw said it would have been "absolutely terrible" if they'd missed out. "We were the best side in the Fourth. Our skill, determination and workrate were tremendous.

"Determination is vitally important in the Fourth. You've got to roll your sleeves up and work hard to get out because no one's going to give you an easy ride.

"I was with DONCASTER for three seasons when we had a brilliant front three of Bren O'Callaghan (now Stoke), Peter Kitchen (now Fulham) and lan



Portsmouth skipper Joe Laidlaw

Miller (now Swindon). But still we couldn't manage to get out of the Fourth.

"I'd like to see Doncaster come good. They didn't impress me last season but in Pat Lally and youngsters Steve Lister and Daral Pugh they've three players who can turn a game."

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NEWPORT'S John Aldridge was glad to get out of the Fourth Division and looks forward to more freedom on the field in the Third.

"In our games against Second Division sides in the Welsh Cup last season I noticed that defences tended to lay off you a lot more than they do in the Fourth," said the young County striker. "Last season I was never given any space.

"The secret of getting out of the Fourth is to win all your home games — and pick up the

WHO will be promoted from Division Four next season? Few people know better than the players whose teams were promoted from the "fourth" last season.

So as the new season draws closer we've started our count-down to the big August 16 kick-off by talking to players about the leagues they left behind and the prospects in store.

Where are honours going? Who will be the teams to beat and the players to watch for?

Huddersfield goalscorer lan Robins, Walsall striker **Don Penn, Newport target** man John Aldridge and Portsmouth midfield general Joe Laidlaw have given us their tips for the

See if you agree with



Ian Robins dives to head Huddersfield's 100th goal last season. Now he's backing Peterborough to follow

Kellock's the key

IAN ROBINS (Huddersfield)

IAN ROBINS

- 1 Peterborough
- 2 Wigan
- 3 Bradford
- 4 Torquay

JOHN ALDRIDGE

- 1 Bradford City
- 2 Peterborough
- 3 Bury
- 4 Southend

You can Bradford

JOHN ALDRIDGE (Newport)

odd point away.
"NORTHAMPTON did great at home last time - winning 14 but they struggled in away games. If they can put this part of their game together I see no reason why they shouldn't be promoted.

"I'm tipping Bradford City for the Championship. They beat us 3-0 at their place last season our biggest hiding.

"I've a fancy for PETERBOROUGH and WIGAN as well. We won 1-0 at Wigan but they gave us a tough time.

"Peter Houghton does well for Wigan and Steve Baines of **Bradford and Peterborough's** Billy Kellock will have a big say in the promotional honours.

'My other tips are BURY and SOUTHEND, who have just come down.

THE most competitive division in the Football League . . . that's how Huddersfield's scoring sensation lan Robins looks on life in football's basement.

Robins told Match Weekly: "Nobody wants to stay in the Fourth. The teams realise that if they struggle they could be out and into non-league football.

"It makes it so much harder to

Robins picks the sides who went close last season as the most likely to make the jump this

"Peterborough also impressed me a lot. They don't give much away at home and in Billy Kellock they have the division's best player. He always looks dangerous and has a very positive attitude.

Bradford City were unlucky to lose out by getting beat at

Peterborough on the last day of the season and I expect them to make sure this time.

"They're a workmanlike side and in Les Chapman they've a player who always turns in a good performance.

Wigan must start getting some consistency into their play. If they get a good start to the season they must be in with a

"Billy Bremner, with a year under his belt at Doncaster, will be going all-out for promotion and if anyone can make a side work, he can.'

Robins also sounded a note of caution for those teams hoping to get out of the lowest division on a wave of young talent.

He says young legs are OK but only if there are enough players on the staff to replace them when they tire.

NEXT WEEK DIVISION 3

It's easier in defence

BIG Scottish international Derek Johnstone is one of a select band of players who has starred in both defence and attack for their country.

"I enjoy both roles," says Derek. "But if you ask me to choose, I'd have to say I prefer centre-back.

"You can see more of the ball that way and you are able to face the player, which is far easier."

The six-foot Rangers skipper who was much in demand at Linlathan School in Dundee, both in defence and attack — "it depended how good the opposition forwards were" — began his lbrox career as a centre-forward, scoring on his debut at 16.

"But I reverted to centre-half a couple of years later when they were struggling one week for a central defender for a reserve game with Ayr.

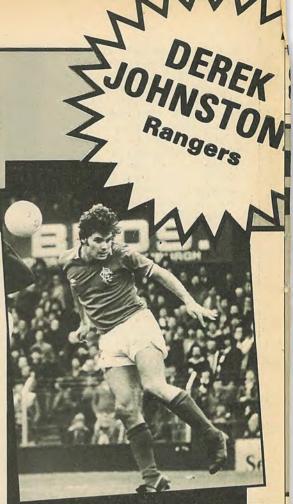
"I volunteered and did well and that started a period playing at the back. I

remember in 1973 I played for Scotland through the Home Internationals in defence."

And what of this season? "It's likely that I will revert to defence this season," says the likeable man from Dundee. "The boss, John Greig, has just bought this lad McAdam from Partick as a striker, so I'll be happy at the back.

"But you never know," joked Johnstone.
"I could end up in midfield as a replacement for Gordon Smith who has gone to Brighton — or even in goal. After all I'm Peter McCloy's deputy if he gets injured in a match!"

Right: Derek Johnstone has Scotland caps at centre-forward and centre-half.



I'm a bette player now

> JOHN Gidman's problems at Aston Villa provided a shot in the arm for Kenny Swain's career.

For Swain, a forward player, stepped into Gidman's defensive role — and hasn't looked back or forward — since.

"I'm a better player for the move," Swain told Match Weekly.

"I'm much more composed on the ball now and have a better appreciation of the game."

When Gidman, now at Everton, made it clear he was unhappy at Villa Park manager Ron Saunders asked Swain to fill in.

"I agreed because I thought it would be only a temporary move," Swain said.

"I played there for a couple of games and to be honest I didn't enjoy

Left: Villa's Kenny Swain hasn't looked back since switching from attack to defence.

very much at all

"I was getting caught out of position. I couldn't get used to facing the play.

"Then Giddie came back for a short spell but his problems blew up again and the manager asked me if I would go back to right-back.

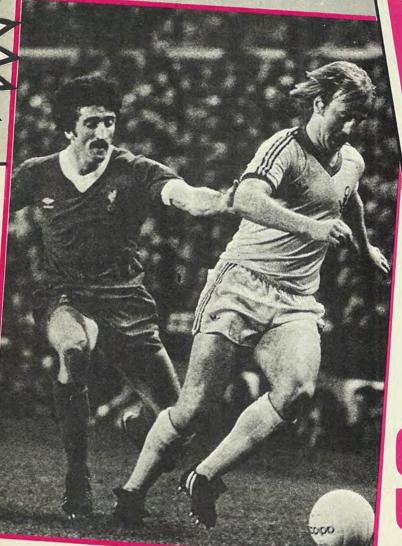
"I was a lot more reluctant because I thought it could be a permanent switch.

"But this time it went well. I quite enjoyed it, the manager said I could do a good job there and I kept at it.

"Last season was my most satisfying because I completed it in the same position — bar one or two games when I was up front. To be honest I think there are only two qualities needed for a full-back.

"You've got to be quick and you mustn't sell yourself. I learned when I was an attacker that the best situation is when a defender dives in."

Nottingham Forest's Viv Anderson and Chris Hughton of Tottenham are two full-backs Swain admires.



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But I'm happy at the back

Above: Kenny Burns — the poise that makes him such a good defender is demonstrated in this challenge with Liverpool's David Johnson.



KENNY Burns admits to missing the thrill of scoring a goal. But he also says that he's more than happy to remain in defence for Nottingham Forest.

It was a double shock to the football world when Brian Clough moved in for the Birmingham player.

Burns carried with him a bad-boy reputation that frightened away many other clubs. And the other surprise was when Clough said he was going to switch the free-scoring forward to defence.

Burns had played in defence for the Blues — but it was in attack where he won his colours.

"I was recognised more as a striker at St Andrews but I was delighted when Brian Clough and Peter Taylor said they wanted me as a sweeper," said Burns.

"There is something exciting about putting the ball in the

net, but I've always preferred playing in defence.

"I miss not scoring goals but I get my satisfaction in stopping strikers and helping Peter Shilton keep clean sheets."

Evidence of the boost the move gave to Burns' career was provided at the end of his first season at the City Ground — in the shape of the Footballer of the Year trophy. He was also voted Forest's Player of the Year.

Forest have only once succumbed to the temptation to revert Burns to his former role.

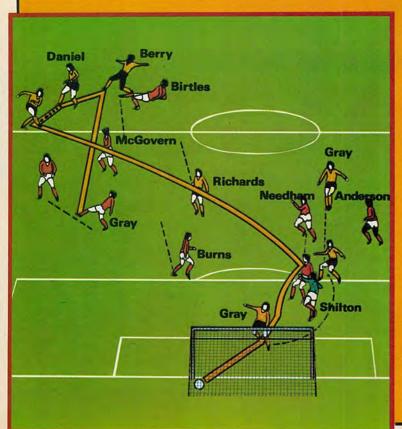
That was at the end of last season when they were trying out permutations up front to replace the injured Trevor Francis for the European Cup final.

He played in attack against Notts County in the County Cup final. But the experiment wasn't a success and Burns went back to defence before the end of the game.



Above: Andy Gray (right) joins skipper Emlyn Hughes holding the League Cup aloft.

Below: Match Weekly's replay of the goal that shattered Forest and took the League Cup to Molineux.



GIANS The goal that fired wolves back

Andy Gray (Wolves) v Nottingham Forest, League Cup Final, Wembley Stadium, March 15, 1980.

ANDY GRAY admits he'll never score an easier goal than the one that ended Brian Clough's two year grip on the League Cup.

The goal that put Wolves into Europe for the first time since 1975 and enabled proud skipper Emlyn Hughes to land yet another honour after a distinguished career with Liverpool, came as the match was building to a crescendo in the 66th minute.

The Scottish striker re-calls: "Frank Gray tried to find Garry Birtles with a through-ball but George Berry intercepted and it ran to Peter Daniel.

"He played a long ball up and it always looked as if it was going over Needham's head. Shilton came out and I think Needham could have left it.

"But he chested it down to where he thought Shilton was and I just kept on running. I was a bit worried the ball might beat me into the net, but I just got there in time."

It was a fairytale ending for Gray who almost didn't make the final because of a one-match suspension.

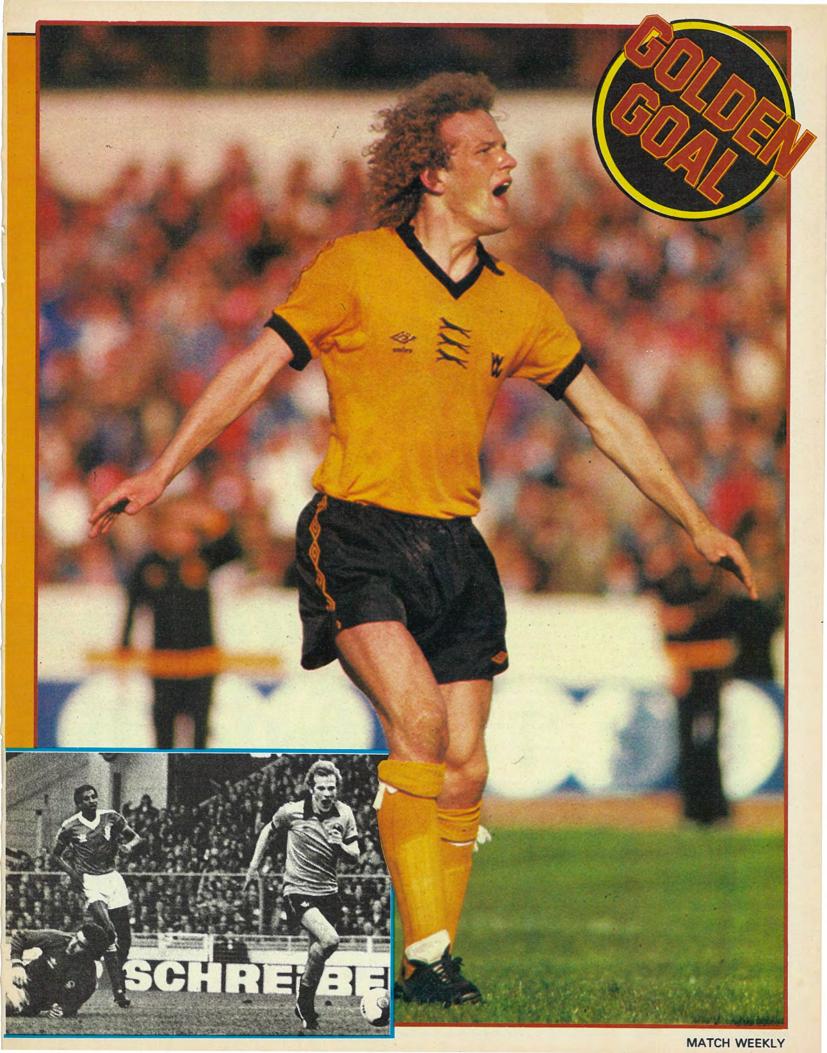
But when West Ham beat Aston Villa in an F.A. Cup tie a week earlier, Gray was able to work out his ban when Wolves hastily re-arranged a League game with Villa.

into Europe

"When the result came through at West Ham," said Gray, "and I knew there wouldn't be a replay and the League game would be on, I felt I had to do something special at Wembley. I felt sharper than I had for some time — and it really paid off in the end. Fabulous!"

Below: Down and out . . . Peter Shilton collides with Dave Needham (left) and Viv Anderson can only look on in despair as Andy Gray races through to score the only goal at Wembley.







The Tottenham star talks about his future

UNSETTLED Chris Jones has warned the rest of the First Division to steer clear of him if they're on the look-out for a 20 goals-a-season man.

"But if they want one of the best footballing forwards around then I'm their man," Jones told Match Weekly.

Tottenham's Jones, transfer listed at the end of the season, patiently waits to see if any club will follow up an interest in him at £500,000.

He's keen on a move to stir up his enthusiasm for the game but doesn't seem to do his case any good with statements like: "I don't think my goalscoring record justifies me going

anywhere.
"I've only scored 34 League goals for Spurs but always maintained that goalscoring is not what my game is about.

"I'll chip in with a goal, but I'm better playing deeper, off a target man, turning and running at defenders and making chances for other players."

Jones' dissatisfaction with his role and future at Tottenham came to a head in March and he asked Keith Burkinshaw for a move.

"I told him I thought a change of scenery would do me good. "We both decided to keep it quiet and when he signed Steve Archibald from Aberdeen he announced that I was on the transfer-list."

Any second-thoughts that the player may have had during the summer break were quickly dispelled at last Monday's return for close-season training.

"I was amazed to see how small Archibald was," Jones added. "If I stay it will mean me continuing up front as the target man."

Jones played 40 League and Cup games plus one as sub last season — a personal record. But he never felt happy. "There was a spark of

"There was a spark of excitement missing. I didn't really feel right.

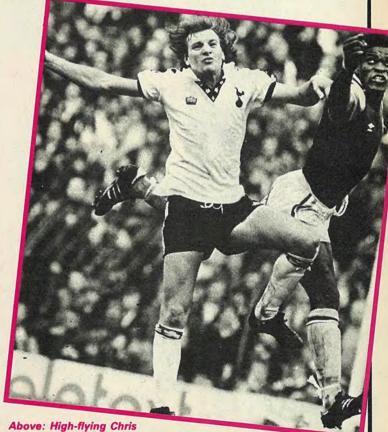
"I went out there to do my best but some games I just did not enjoy

enjoy.
"My desire to get away has nothing to do with the Archibald signing. I've been at Tottenham a long time and need a new challenge.

"I'm prepared to go anywhere to speak to anybody. I would not go to a bad Second Division side but one challenging near the top would certainly interest me.

"Preferably though I'm looking to stay in the First Division."

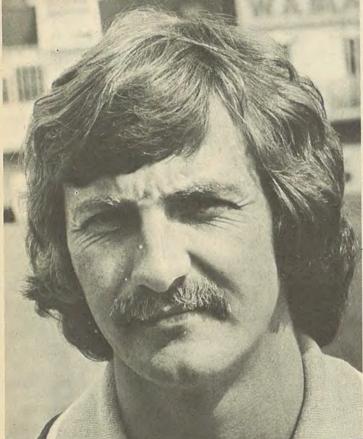
Jones, 24, has been with Tottenham nine years. They are his only League club.



Above: High-flying Chris Jones — where will he land up next season? Starting here five stars talk about their highlights and disappointments of last season and their hopes for next winter

Barry Powell

DERBY COUNTY



ACHIEVEME

REACHING the European Cup final was for me the highlight of last season. Going on to win it was a bonus.

It was such a tremendous achievement, bearing in mind that we were so inconsistent in the League.

But time and time again we produced the goods on the continent and I'll never forget, for example, the football we played in East Germany to beat Dynamo Berlin after we had gone out there a goal down.

To go to Berlin against all the odds and be three up inside 45 minutes showed just how well

McGovern NOTTINGHAM

we played.

The other outstanding performance of last season was to beat Liverpool in the League Cup semi-final, but of course, it was such a big blow to lose to Wolves in the final

But the lasting disappointment from last season was our inconsistency.

We lost far too many games in the league considering we had

been beaten only six times in the two previous seasons put together.

So when we look forward to the coming season we will be aiming to return to the kind of consistency we used to boast.

Obviously we are hoping to win something again and if I had a choice I would go for the League Championship.

I just love it at Derby **EVEN though we were**

relegated, my move to Derby was definitely the highlight of my season.

In fact it only took an hour for me to sign on — I was that impressed by the set-up at the Baseball Ground and by Colin

I was in a rut at Coventry and it was getting me down. A transfer was just the boost I needed for my career.

Derby's high spot of the season has to be our form over the last six weeks.

It was a pity we left it so late but it's given us all the confidence we need for next

Disappointments? Well obviously for both the team and myself it can be summed up in one word - relegation.

I've never played in the Second Division before but the players

Newcastle Utd's Mick Martin tells you about it on the next

What a Christmas

Present!

I've talked to all say it's going to be hard because everybody will be going all out to beat us.

My hope for Derby is, naturally, that we can bounce straight

My personal wish is that I'll find the back of the net a few more times

I always set myself a target of double figures but I've still to

I seem to find myself in a good position but then snatch at the

I scored two goals in the opening game of last season for Coventry and I thought 'This is

But I still only managed seven for the season - the most I've ever reached.





PAUL Ipswich Town COOPER

IT'S not difficult to select the highs and lows of our season — for when we were bad we were very bad and when we were good we were tremendous.

Our undefeated run of 23 games was the team's highlight.

Including in that spell were victories against Manchester City, Southampton and Manchester United when everything came off for us.

My personal high spot was saving those two penalties against Derby which were featured on Match of the Day.

The first was from Barry Powell — I pushed it inside the post and gathered at the second attempt.

Gerry Daly hit the second to my right and I pushed it away with my forearm.

Probably the lowest point for me and the team was conceding four goals at Coventry.

Two of them were own goals

— even though Mick Ferguson
took the credit for all four.

Our poor start to the season was a big disappointment at the time — but as the season wore on it became a bigger disappointment because if

Left: Ipswich Town 'keeper Paul Cooper didn't like the way Nottingham Forest won the European Cup. So pleased with my two penalty saves

we'd started well we would have won the Championship.

The biggest disappointment from a football point of view was the European Cup final and England's poor showing in Italy.

The highlight of the season generally was Arsenal's win in Juventus — and I must include Forest's win against Dynamo Berlin in this category.

Next season? I just hope to steer clear of injuries and help lpswich take the title. It will be good for football if somebody other than Liverpool wins it.

WHAT A
CHRISTMAS
CHRISTMAS
PRESENT!

MICK MARTIN Newcastle United

THE knee injury which brought an end to my season at Christmas was not only the biggest disappointment of last season — but of my entire career.

It was sickening, particularly as Newcastle were going so well at the time. Up to Christmas all the lads were playing well and we were pretty confident of getting promoted.

That was our highlight — we'd played all the top teams and given as good as we'd got.

But then after Christmas it started to go wrong and we never really picked up again.

Alan Ainscow

and Highlights disappointments

Birmingham City

TWO particular games stand out in my good memories of last season — the night we beat Chelsea 5-1 at St Andrew's and our 2-1 victory over West Ham at Upton Park.

I scored a couple of goals in the Chelsea game.

They were pretty poor opposition on the night but I thought we played well.

The West Ham game was one we really had to win and I was lucky enough to get our first goal.

We were probably more keyed up for those two games than any other.

England qualifying for the European Championship finals must go down as one of my highlights — you always tend to look to your national team to do well.

Obviously it was disappointing that they didn't do better.

It would have been a good thing for English football in general if they had won the Championship.

Personally, I would have liked to have seen Paul Mariner given more of a chance.

IT WOULD BE NICE TO WIN THE F.A. CUP

readers but our last game of the season against Notts County the game which finally clinched promotion — was a big anti-climax.

We only needed to draw and that's the way the match finished up.

We were 2-0 up at one stage but they pulled a couple back and we finished up with our backs against the wall to hold on for a 3-3 result.

If you had seen us in the dressing room after the game you would have thought we had just lost the cup final instead of having just won promotion.

Right: Alan Ainscow says the game when Birmingham finally clinched promotion was an anti-climax.

Mick Martin Continued

It's hard to say why. Perhaps I could have helped the situation if I hadn't been injured.

We didn't score as many goals as we should have done and lost confidence.

The biggest general disappointment was England's failure in Italy. Certain players did not live up to their potential but there's enough good young players coming through to give England confidence for the future.

The best aspect of the season was the strength of the First Division. There wasn't much to choose between the top sides and the bottom.

My wish for football in 1980-81 is that the standard of refereeing improves — it must become more consistent — and also that all players play to their full potential at club and international level.

Left: Mick Martin — he's hoping to be fit for the start of the season





ASK US

lain Johnston of Eyemouth, Berwickshire, asks:
Being a West Bromwich Albion supporter I would like to
know the team which won the FA Cup in 1968.
Osborne; Fraser, Williams; Brown, Talbot, Kaye; Lovett,
Collard, Astle, Hope, Clark. Sub: Clarke.

Adriano Bernabei of Finchley, London, asks:
Could you tell me the first football team to win the League
Cup Final at Wembley, who they beat and the score?
Q.P.R. — 3-2 v. West Brom. A — March 4, 1967.

Jim Hopkins of Croftfoot, Glasgow, asks: I wish to know how many times Scotland have beaten England at Wembley.

Seven times: 5-1 in 1927-28; 1-0, 1937-38; 3-1, 1948-49; 3-2, 1950-51; 2-1, 1962-63; 3-2, 1966-67; 2-1, 1976-77.

Gary Morrison of Prestwich, Manchester, asks: What is the highest number of goals scored in a match by one player, for which team and who against? For any first-class British match: 13 by J. Petrie for Arbroath v. Bon Accord, Scottish Cup-tie, Sept. 5, 1885.

David Smith of Gloucester, asks:

Could you please tell me who scored the goals when England beat Wales 6-0 at Chelsea in 1929? George Camsell (Middlesbrough) 3, Tom Johnson (Manchester City) 2, Hugh Adcock (Leicester City) 1.

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...and Bob w value for mo

I DON'T KNOW whether Liverpool's two new signings are replacements or investments, but take it from me they will get full value from them.

The arrival at Anfield of lan
Rush from Chester and Richard
Money from Fulham — for a total
cost of £650,000 — passed by
with the minimum of fuss at the
end of last season.

Rush and Money have presumably been signed to prevent the tax man cashing in too much on Liverpool's success but at the same time they are adding further strength to the strongest first team pool in the country.

They are in a fortunate position of being able to go out and spend that kind of cash on two players who are by no means certain to figure in Bob Paisley's immediate plans. But good luck to them.

Remember what they did a year earlier when they snatched Frank McGarvey from St Mirren for a sizeable fee? He hardly got a sniff of first team life at Anfield but Liverpool were not the losers

Right: Alan Hansen — part of the Anfield success story.

in having a player of his calibre in reserve and then being able to sell him to Celtic for a similar fee.

That's the kind of deal
Liverpool have been doing for
years ... and they have got to be
envied by all of us seeking to
compete at the highest level year
after year.

They used to do it in the days of players like Jack Whitham and Alun Evans. Whitham was signed from Sheffield Wednesday for about £100,000 and although he was never what you might call a regular, he nevertheless made his contribution.



Watched TV While Spent £1 million

WHILE the drama of Bjorn Borg winning his fifth championship was unfolding at Wimbledon, we were creating our own bit of excitement at Nottingham.

For while that talented young man was creating history on the centre court, we were making British football history at the City Ground by becoming the first

I remember one occasion when he scored a hat-trick for Liverpool against Derby during my days at the Baseball Ground.

The likes of Whitham and Evans are examples of players arriving at Anfield, doing their bit and then moving on. But there are others who stay to play really lasting parts in the club's success.

Ray Clemence was bought from Scunthorpe, Phil Neal was with Northampton, Alan Hansen came from Partick Thistle . . . you could go on all day long.

Within the framework of running a club at the highest possible level, Liverpool still have the time and the facility to go out and build for the future.

A lot of people were left wondering what they would do to fill the gap created when Kevin Keegan decided he was off to

Germany. They came up with a guy called Dalglish who was absolutely tailor-made for Liverpool's requirements.

It was one in, one out . . . and that's part of Liverpool's secret.

They never seem to have a clear-out . . . and that's a lesson to all of us.

out the paperwork I was happy for the lad to relax in front of the TV set at the club watching a superb professional doing his stuff at Wimbledon.

He may have learned something in the process because it is that type of Borg professionalism that I demand from my players.

lan was quite relieved to relax in front of the TV for an hour or two because he had had a hectic time. He was called back from holiday in the South of France at 9pm on Friday night after I had agreed terms for his transfer with Jimmy Hill, the new Coventry chairman.

He caught the first plane out of Marseilles on the Saturday morning and was whisked up from Heathrow Airport for his medical check up in Nottingham where we completed the deal on Saturday afternoon.

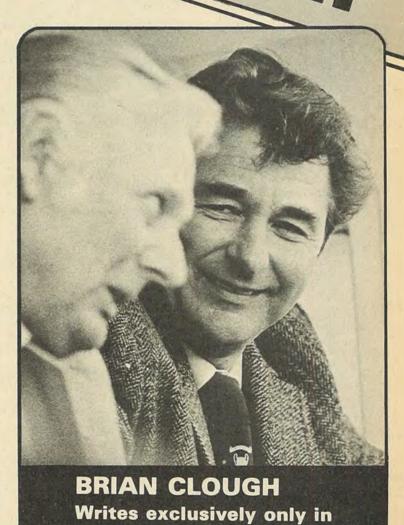
I was very pleased how smoothly and efficiently it went through and much of the credit must go to Jimmy Hill.

I may not agree with all that he says on the television but I have a high regard for him as a football club chairman. It was a pleasure to do business with him he conducts it in a very efficient manner.

I am hoping lan will be equally efficient in front of goal for us next season. I bought him for nothing more than his ability to put the ball in the back of the

It is a very special talent but I am confident he can do a good job for me — certainly he will get a taste of top European defences when we come up against German and Dutch champions Bayern Munich and Ajax in Amsterdam next week.

Sicar Dough



NEXT WEEK: How I cope with life as a headline maker

MATCH WEEKLY

Prove 'em wrong, Chelsea

IT'S ABOUT time something good was said about Chelsea. Last season everyone said that Chelsea would go down to the Third Division.

Geoff Hurst proved them wrong by taking Chelsea to fourth place in the Second Division and no one praised him for building them into a strong

People are still saying Chelsea are not fit for the First Division. Trevor Brooking said it in his series in Match Weekly and I only hope Hurst proves everybody wrong by winning a place in the First Division.

D. H. Atkinson, Rugeley.

Cream of the League

HOW MANY more seasons are going to pass before the English League officials realise that what is needed is a Premier League?

An England 'top ten' would attract larger crowds, with improved entertainment, more goals and more money. How about this for a Premier League:

Liverpool, Manchester United, Arsenal, Ipswich, Nottingham Forest, Crystal Palace, Everton, Southampton, Middlesbrough, Manchester City.

Stanley Horkan, Cleveland.

Practice, Mr Preacher!

ONCE again Brian Clough speaks with a 'forked tongue' and as on so many occasions, fails to practice what he preaches.

He says one of the reasons for England's failure in the European Championship was because the number of games played in this country is too many.

Take the case of Forest in 1979/80 . . . they played over 60 games and while most were competitive more than a dozen were 'friendlies' arranged for the City Ground coffers. Nothing wrong in that, good luck to them, and him!

Yes, clubs do play too many matches compared with the rest of the world. But would Brian be prepared to play less matches and rest his players - or play more and make money for his club?

Set an example Brian. If you think playing less matches will bring success at national level don't attempt to play more than you have to.

Although I'm the secretary of Notts County FC my views are purely personal and may not represent the views of my club.

Dennis Marshall, Sec Notts County FC.

BECAUSE of the numerous

commentators in your magazine

I'd suggest your readers turn off the volume on the television and

put on their favourite record or

radio so they can listen to music,

Simon Partridge (15), Bristol.

complaints about football

completely free from the

commentators' distasteful

Music while

vou watch

Up, up and away

THE transfer market is getting carried away with its prices. One million pounds for a player is a bit silly because it not only wastes money it makes some clubs nearly broke.

On the continent the most you pay is £500,000 which I think is a bit too low. But Britain could take an example and make the limit about £800,000. Otherwise it could go up and up forever.

Gate, London.

I'm ashamed, Kevin

I STOOD on the Italian terraces for the **England-Belgium game and** was spat at, sworn at, and had bags of urine thrown at me.

When the English fans retaliated the police hit everyone who moved - even the girls.

So I'd like Kevin Keegan to know that I'm ashamed to be English after listening to his unjust comments.

Mark Caulfield, York.

— the letters' page with something to say





Below: Ray Wilkins in action for England — reader Steven Hunt wants to see him captaining the



Go for skipper Ray

FOLLOWING England's disaster against Italy in the European Championship I feel that now is the time for a change of captain.

I agree Kevin Keegan is a great player and will never give up but I think he lacks the quality to motivate the rest of the team and to control the game.

The skipper's job should be given to Ray Wilkins because midfield is the best place for a captain.

> Steven Hunt (15), Hanwell, London

Bell's dropped a clanger

I'M STILL wondering how Manchester United manager Dave Sexton failed to win a Bell's Manager of the Month award last season. After all he did keep United near the top of the league all the time.

I recall Brighton boss Alan Mullery winning the award on one occasion just because Brighton managed to win a few

Paul King (13), Wellingborough.

Frank Long (121/2), Forest

GALLE OUTRAGED!

THE LEAGUE status of the top three North-East clubs has been very poor over the past few years. Middlesbrough are just a mid-table team, Sunderland have only just recovered from three years in the Second Division wilderness and Newcastle are still there and likely to stay there.

The reason for this is they've all sold their best players. I've compiled a team of players who've left the North-East over

Jim Montgomery; Colin Todd, Alan Kennedy; Graeme Souness, Dave Watson, John Blackley; Dennis Tueart, David Mills, Peter Withe, Terry McDermott, Alan Gowling.

That's an awful lot of talent for a region to lose. Philip Norman (15), Billingham, Cleveland.

LEFT: Graeme Souness (left) and Terry McDermott celebrate Liverpool's championship win last season. Reader Philip Norman (see Star Letter) is annoyed at how stars like these have been allowed to leave the North-East.

Kids stuff, the best

AFTER fidgeting through the FA Cup final, nodding off through the European Cup final and painfully enduring the European Championship I can honestly say that far and away the best game I saw last season was the absorbing schoolboy international between England and Scotland at Wembley.

This game had everything goals, flair and end to end action.

It is safe to assume that a great many of the players will face each other in ten years time in a full international. It is also safe to assume, sadly, that we will witness a dour, bad tempered,

John Owen, Oldham.

We can beat the best

I'M looking forward to August 23 - the day when the League champions (Liverpool) meet the Second Division champions (Leicester) at Filbert Street.

It will give the Leicester lads the chance to show those who say we will struggle that we can beat the best.

Michael Wileman (15), Ellistown, Leics.

Salute Jock, the great

I'D like to pay tribute to Jock Wallace who's proved himself to be one of the best managers in Britain. Jock wasted no time when he arrived at Leicester and he immediately began rebuilding the team.

The result was, and is, a talented and exciting team with a subtle blend of youth and experience. Jock also proved himself in the transfer market with a number of shrewd buys and his revitalised team deservedly won the Second Division Championship in style.

I'm sure Leicester will be winning many more honours in the future.

Roger Day (15), Leicester.

Below: Jock Wallace - praise from reader Roger Day for the job he's done at Leciester.



stems from many of the outraged views we receive each week from MATCH WEEKLY readers — and which, in turn, outrage Match writer, Trevor HAYLETT (pictured right). Why not outrage him still further — and win £2 in the process — by sending in vour controversial and outrageous views to 'Outraged', Match Weekly, Midgate House, Midgate, Peterborough.



Go for goals target

I HAVE yet another crackpot idea for more goals and attacking play. In the local park we play to a goal limit — ten at half-time and 20 to full-time — rather than a time limit.

If this was introduced into the Football League we wouldn't see clubs playing out time anymore. They'd just be intent on scoring more goals.

Dean O'Connor, Tameside, Manchester

 Your fifth word is spot on. What do you want — games lasting five days?

Taylor, what a misery

IF THERE was a prize for the most miserable man in football Nottingham Forest's Peter Taylor would win hands down.

A photograph of him with a smile on his face would raise a fortune at Sotheby's. Even after Forest's two League Cup wins and two European Cup wins Taylor couldn't raise a smile.

• If you'd won the European Cup only twice in succession wouldn't you find it difficult to smile?

No stopping Watford

I WANT to know what Trevor Haylett thinks about my prediction: Watford to be Division Two champions next season.

With such a strong team and confidence returning at the end of last season I can't see anybody stopping Graham Taylor's magnificent side.

N. Lawrence (14), Bristol.

I prefer not to think about your prediction at all N.

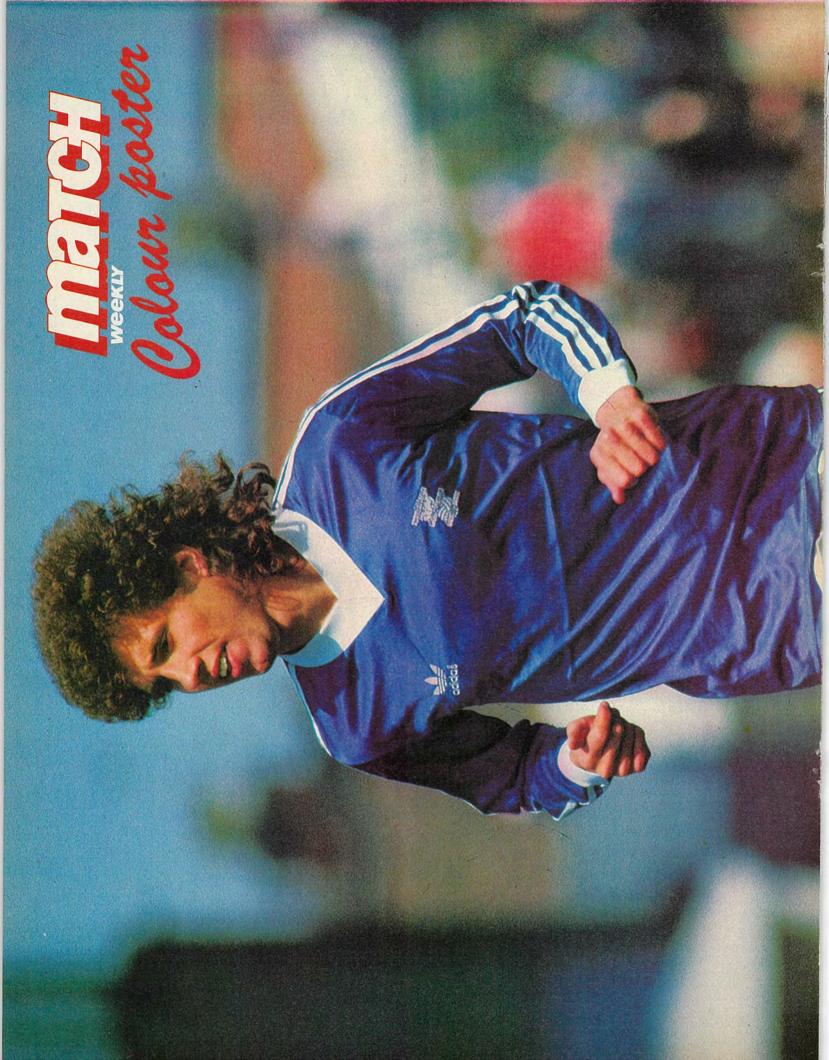
Jack on the box

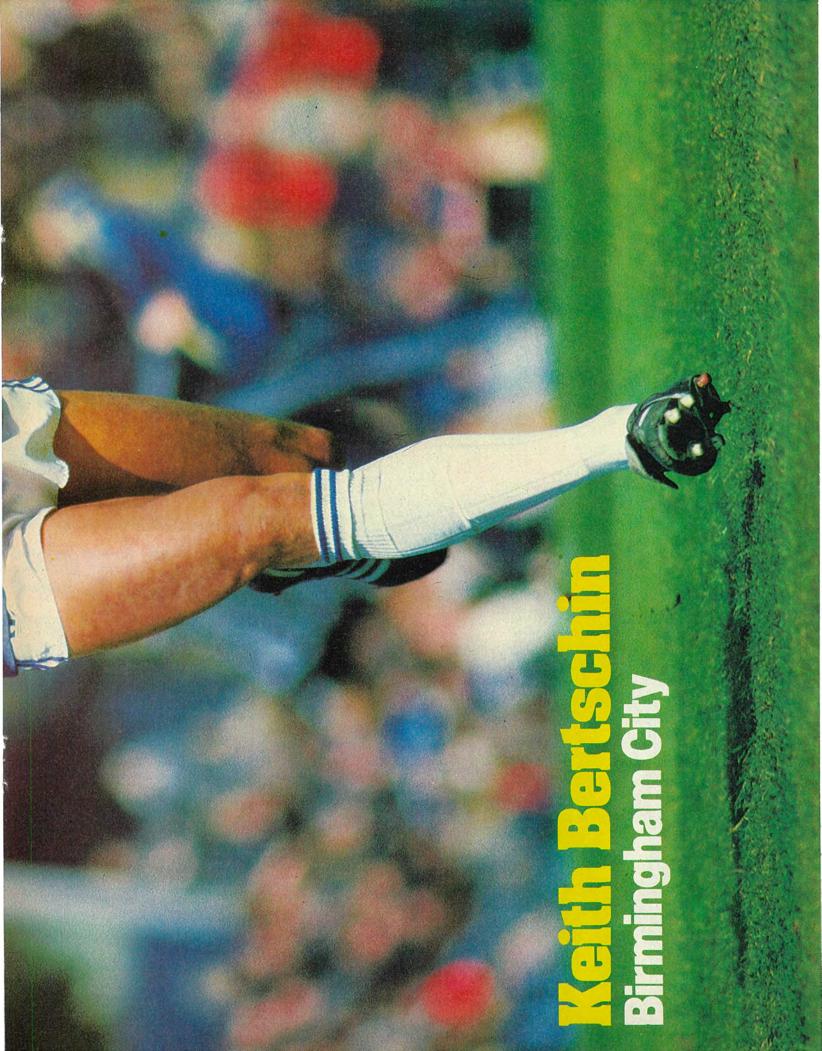
WE ALL know Trevor Haylett knows little about football and is only looking for an argument, but to suggest that anybody would miss Jack Charlton as TV analyst in the European Championships is absurd.

Charlton has finally stopped beating Bob Latchford's drum once Ron Greenwood realised his lack of potential — but still ITV choose to keep him on for the European Cup. And ITV wonder why BBC Sport has far higher viewer ratings.

N. G. Summers, Burgess Hill, Sussex.

Now who's looking for an argument? I too wonder why BBC Sport has far higher viewer ratings - especially as their commentators are inferior to ITV's as well. P.S. I bet I know more about football than you.





Goal feast for the fans

EUROPEAN CUP

LIVERPOOL fans should be in for a goal feast when their heroes embark on the European Cup trail at Anfield against the Finland part-timers from OPS Oulu.

Manager Bob Paisley heaved a sigh of relief when he heard the draw, for after being knocked out in the first round for the last two years — by Nottingham Forest and Dinamo Tbilisi — at last they look to have been gifted an easy passport to the second round.

"No European Cup tie is a foregone conclusion," said Paisley. "But I'm well pleased with the draw. I know very little about them now, but I'll know all I need by the time the tie is played."

The bookmakers have made Liverpool favourites at 7-2 on the strength of the draw, with Nottingham Forest 4-1 after the Cup holders had drawn an awkward trip to Bulgarian champions CSKA Sofia in the first leg on September 17.

Commented Brian Clough: "My first representative honour with England was an Under-23 tour to Bulgaria and my memories of their style are similar to those we experienced last season in Rumania against Arges Pitesti.

"Iron Curtain countries can be relied upon to be very disciplined, but at the moment we know little about them other than that they are a major force in their own country."

Scottish champions Aberdeen face a tough hurdle in their bid to emulate Celtic's quarter-final surge last season. They take on Austrian champions FK Austria Vienna — European Cup Winners' Cup finalists in 1978 — at Pittodrie on September 17.

Manager Alex Ferguson greeted the draw with mixed feelings. "It's a great draw for the club not having to travel to somewhere like Albania, but the fact that Vienna did the double in their country and have at least six internationals in their side speaks for itself."

A capacity 53,000 crowd is expected at Landsdowne Road, Dublin, for Eire champions Limerick's plum tie with Laurie Cunningham's Real Madrid.

Limerick chairman Michael Webb had persuaded the Spanish club to play the first leg in Ireland to avoid a clash with West Ham's Cup Winners' Cup tie with Real's Reserve side Castilla, but UEFA have guashed the idea.

EUROPEAN CUP Preliminary round Honved Budapest (Hungary) v Valletta (Malta)

First round
LINFIELD (N Ireland) v Nantes (France)
ABERDEEN (Scotland) v Austria Vienna
(Austria)

Vest Nnnaejyer (Iceland) v Banik Ostrava (Czech)

Dinamo Tirana (Albania) v Ajax (Holland) FC Bruges (Belgium) v Basle (Switzerland) CSKA Sofia (Bulgaria) v NOTTINGHAM FOREST (England)

LIVERPOOL (England) v Oulun Palloseura (Finland)

Olympiakos (Greece) v Bayern Munich (W Germany)

Stavanger (Norway) v Red Star, Belgrade (Yugoslavia)

(Tugoslavia) LIMERICK (Eire) v Real Madrid (Spain) <u>Halmstad</u>s BK (Sweden) v Esjberg

(Denmark)
Sporting (Portugal) v Honved or Valletta

Trabzonsport (Turkey) v GKS Szomierki Bytom (Poland) Jeunesse D'Esch (Luxembourg) v Spartak

Moscow (USSR)
Dynamo Berlin (E Germany) v Apoel Nicosia

(Cyprus)

Inter-Milan (Italy) v Univ Craiova (Rumania).

Left: Jimmy Case lashes a free-kick at the
Dinamo Tbilisi wall to score Liverpool's
second goal in the European Cup last season,
but sadly they went out in the away leg.





Emlyn Hughes . . . back on the European trail with Wolves.

UEFA CUP

Wolves bank or

WOLVERHAMPTON Wanderers, back in Europe for the first time since 1975, face a daunting task with a visit to classy Dutch side PSV Eindhoven in the first round of the UEFA Cup.

But with European veteran Emlyn Hughes in a side already packed with experienced, quality players the Molineux fans are confident of a repeat of 1972 when they reached the final.

Says manager John Barnwell: "PSV are a major attraction for our fans and a possible springboard for a long European venture effor five blank years."

after five blank years."
Manchester United return to Europe with an interesting scrap against the Polish side Widzew Lodz, but they should emerge unscathed as should lpswich, who break new ground against Aris Salonika.

UEFA CUP DRAW
First round
RWD Molenbeck (Belgium) v Torino (Italy)
Hamburg SV (W. Germany) v FC Sarajevo

(Rumania) Real Sociedad (Spain) v Ujpest Dozsa

(Hungary) Zbrojovka Brna (Czech) v Lask Linz (Austria) Grasshoppers (Switzerland) v Boldklub Copenhagen (Denmark) AZ 67 Alkmaar (Holland) v Red Boys

(Luxembourg) Gijon (Spain) v Bohemians Prague (Czech)



FC Porto (Portugal) v Dundalk (Eire) Juventus (Italy) v Panathinaikos (Greece) Barcelona (Spain) v Sliema (Malta) Dynamo Dresden (E Germany) v FK Napradak (Yugoslavia)

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(Sweden)

FC Cologne (W Germany) v Akranes (Iceland) Sochaux (France) v Servette (Switzerland) MANCHESTER UNITED (England) v Widzew

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IPSWICH (England) v Aris Salonika (Greece) Shakhter Donetsk (USSR) v Eintracht Frankfurt (W Germany)

Fenerbahce (Turkey) v Beroe (Bulgaria) Arges Pitesti (Rumania) v FC Utrecht (Holland) Voest Linz (Austria) v FC Radnicki (Yugoslavia) First leg matches on September 17, second leg, October 1.

WEST HAM return to the European scene in one of the most famed stadiums in the World - and against a

The European Cup Winners' Cup draw paired John Lyall's men with Real Madrid second string Castilla - just as Match Weekly hinted in our June 21 issue.

Real Madrid's League and Cup double in last season's Spanish League paved the way for Castilla - who play in the Spanish Second Division - to take part in the competition.

But Castilla are no push-overs. They reached the final of their domestic Cup tournament - and were beaten 6-1 by their 'big brothers', the Real Madrid senior side.

Although West Ham were drawn out of the hat second, EUFA have instructed them to play the first leg at Upton Park to avoid a fixture clash with Real Madrid who were also drawn at home in the first leg of their European Cup tie with Limerick.

Scotland representatives Celtic have to meet Diosgyoeri VTK of Hungary in the preliminary round.

Their opponents will not be unknown in Scotland. Last season they knocked out Dundee United in the UEFA Cup, winning 1-0 at Tannadice and 3-1 in Hungary.

'It's not what we'd want but it's interesting just the same. We'll have to be at our best. The draw is hard but that's what the fans want," said manager Billy McNeill.

The first leg is likely to played at Parkhead on August 20 with the return in Hungary on September 3. The winners go through to

meet Timisoara of Rumania.

Two other British clubs in the European Cup Winners' Cup - Newport and Crusaders (Northern Ireland) were paired together. Waterford (Eire) will travel to Hibernians of Malta in the first round first

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS CUP Preliminary round CELTIC (Scotland) v Diosgyoeri VTK (Hungary)

Benfica (Portugal) v Altay Ismir (Turkey) **FIRST ROUND**

Partizani Tirana (Albania) v Malmo (Sweden) Fortuna Dusseldorf v Casino Saltzburg (Austria)

Valencia (Spain) v Monaco (France) Castilla (Spain) v WEST HAM (England) Celtic or Diosgyoeri v Timisoera (Rumania) Rome (Italy) v Carl Zeiss Jena (E. Germany) FC Sion (Switzerland) v FC Haugar (Norway) Kastoria (Greece) v Dinamo Tbilisi (USSR) CA Spora (Luxembourg) v Sparta Prague (Czech)

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Dinamo Zagreb (Yugoslavia) v Benfica or Izmir

Slavie Sofia (Bulgaria) v Legia Warsaw (Poland)

Ilves Tampere (Finland) v Feyenoord (Holland)

NEWPORT COUNTY (Wales) v CRUSADERS (N. Ireland)

Right: Billy Bonds (left) in Cup Final action here in a chase with Arsenal's Alan Sunderland, leads West Ham into Europe with a first round European Cup Winners' Cup clash with Spanish Second Division side Castilla.



Krol move sets Dutch a problem



crisis.

The country's economic problems are hitting football hard and clubs are increasingly facing such hard times that top players are looking elsewhere in Europe for better wages.

A slump in the number of fans passing through the turnstiles has also added to the crisis, while a poor performance by the former World leaders in the European championship was a bitter body blow to the country. National skipper Ruud Krol's

move to Canadian champions Vancouver Whitecaps in May has set off a chain reaction among some leading players in the search for glamour and cash.

Lazio of Rome moved in quickly to tempt dashing striker Rene Van der Kerkhof to Italian football. And Torino followed suit, soon after, splashing out £220,000 on Feyenoord's central defender Michel Van der Korput. A typical example of a

Left: Simon Tahamata, the man they call the Dutch Maradona.

disillusioned player wanting away is Simon Tahamata.

The 22-year-old South Molluccan winger suffered a poor season with Ajax which ended in his shock omission from the Dutch National squad for the **European Championships**

Immediately, the man they dubbed the Dutch Maradona after his fine display in the 75th FIFA anniversary match with Argentina, reacted angrily.

And the result is a £133,000 move to top Belgian side Standard Liege.

And the Dutch exodus is unlikely to end there! Next man to move could well be AZ Alkmaar striker Kees Kist, the man who scored more goals in Europe than any other in 1979.

He has already rejected a move to Lazio, but Juventus are poised to get their man.



'Our downfall' by Yugoslav boss

THE loss of star players abroad has been the downfall of Yugoslavian football in recent years, says national team manager Miljan Miljanic.

The man who recently turned down the chance to take over at super-rich Barcelona but chose to stay at home instead said: "At the moment there are 26 internationals or possible international candidates playing abroad. Also ten of our internationals are pressed into the army service.



REAL Madrid's long-serving skipper, Jose Martinez Sanchez — pictured above in action against Celtic's Bobby Lennox has been tipped as a possible national team manager in succession to Ladislao Kubala but has decided that at 35 he still has some active football left

The man best known to Madrid and Spain fans as Pirri during a glorious career that has seen him playing in major European tournaments for more than a decade will play one more season for

It could be that the appointment of his former Real Madrid colleague Jose Santamaria to the national manager's job has made Pirri think again and decide to go on.

He was a fixture in the Spanish national side from his debut against Argentina at Villa Park during the 1966 World Cup right through until the last World Cup in Argentina in 1978.

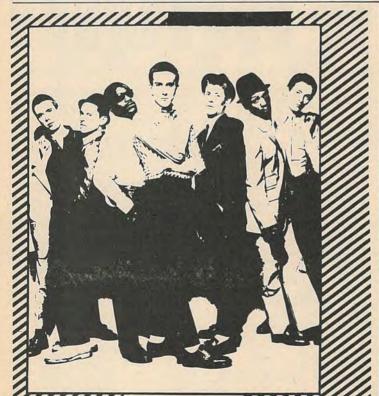
. . . and Portugal look to Baroti (66)

THE former manager of Hungary's national team Lajos Baroti, now 66, has been offered the challenge of putting Portugal back into the forefront of European football

Baroti was the Hungarian manager during their ill-fated World Cup campaign in

Argentina in 1978 and he retired soon after.

It is a long time since Portugal produced a club or national side to rank alongside the memories of Eusebio, Benfica, 1966 and some great nights of fine football against England and Manchester United in the late 1960s.





"Considering it was a local derby, don't you agree it was a good clean game?"



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you throw Tommy!"

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See if you can beat this week's batch. Fourteen-year-old Tracey Allen, from Spital, Chesterfield, Derbyshire,

obviously has an eye for romance! She writes to us: "A man took his girlfriend to watch his favourite team. After watching the 'keeper save three penalties, he said to the girl:

'Next season that goalie will be our best man.'

She replied: 'Oh thank you, darling. What a lovely way to propose'."

Bet the boys love that one Tracey. Heard about the dim-witted goalkeeper? His captain asked him: 'Did you know you should try to stop the hall?'

'Oh,' came the reply. 'Isn't that what the nets are there for?' Thank you, Brett Erratt-Rose, of Bicester, Oxon.

That's a cracker, and we like the note from Haydn Mathias, aged 9, of Lords Wood, Southampton, who tells of the player who told his manager. 'I know how to improve our team.'

'Great,' came the reply. 'When are you leaving?'

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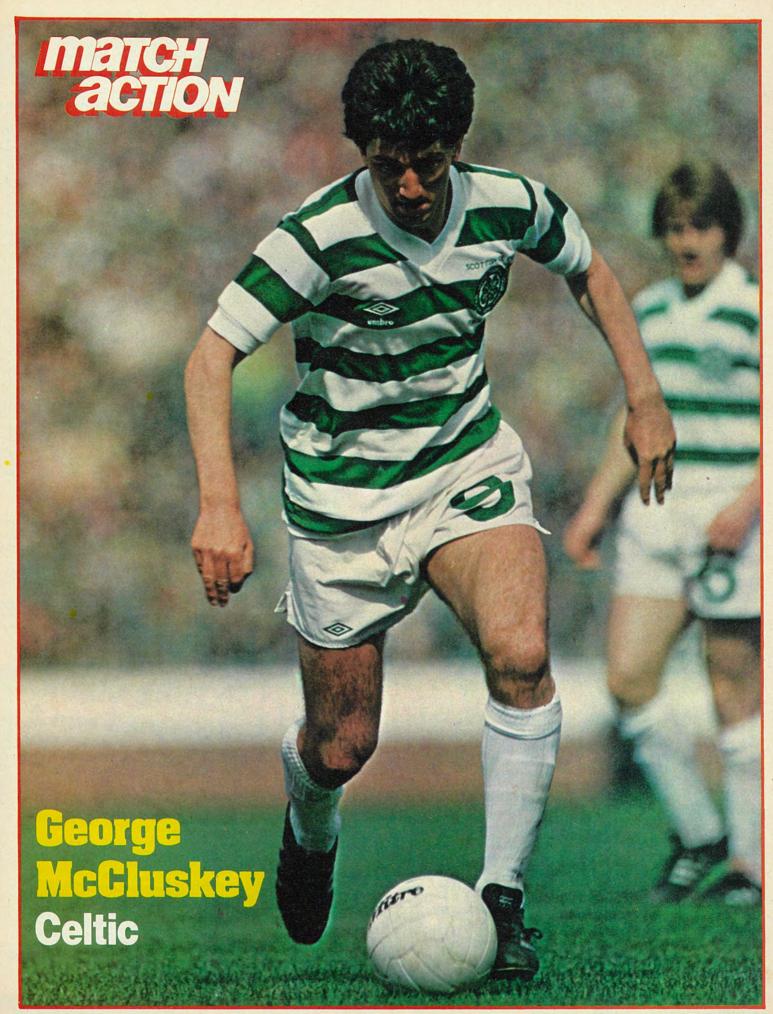
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Alfie Conn...coming home to Hearts after a career with Rangers, purs and Celtic.

SCOT'S CORNER



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THE LAST time the name Alfie Conn appeared on the Hearts team sheet the Edinburgh side were among the most feared and respected teams in Scottish football. A repeat would be a delight for their fans in the coming season.

Twenty years on and it's Alfie Conn junior trying to do what his stockily-built father did back in the 1950s — help the club to a prominent position once again.

It has taken Alfie junior a long time and a lot of heart-break to arrive back at the club he supported as a kid. From Rangers to Spurs, on to Celtic and then to Pittsburgh, where he had a spell playing American indoor seven a

side soccer.
The high spot of Conn's career was undoubtedly in 1974 when Spurs paid Rangers some £150,000 for his transfer in the year he won a European Cup Winners' Cup medal with the Ibrox side. But he never hit it off with the London club and two seasons later Jock Stein paid Spurs £65,000 to bring him back north again.

In his first season with Celtic he won a League and Cup medal. His Cup medal made history . . . he scored for Rangers against Celtic in the 1973 Scottish Cup final

After joining Hearts, Conn, who is now 28, said: "This is a great chance for me and it is something special to be going to

WHAT do the little Perthshire country town of Coupar Angus and Huddersfield have in common?

Answer — a supporters' club all for the love of newly promoted Huddersfield Town.

The man behind the 12 strong club some 300 miles to the north is Yorkshireman Alan Donkersley who drives a dumper truck for a local construction firm.

Alan has always been a fan and he matches next season.' persuaded a couple of mates to

make the trip south one weekend. They got such a welcome and the club were so kind they immediately spread the word up north.

The result, the formation of an official 'Terriers' supporters' club, which now has 12 members.

"We cannot travel every weekend of course," says Alan. "But we are going to plan it very carefully and hope to get to a dozen or so

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FIXTURE GUIDE Divisions 1 and 2

THIS WEEK we bring you your fixture guide to the Scottish First and Second Division, where it's another fascinating battle for honours and the chance of better pay days for the minnows searching for glory in the Premier Division.

Both First and Second Division teams in Scotland play 29 matches, which entails playing each team three times, in some cases two at home, in others just

To find your favourite team's once. matches, read across for home games, down for away fixtures. *The fixtures are provisional and

reproduced courtesy of the Scottish Football League.

SCOT'S CORNER



can do as well for them as he did I am sure the fans will make me very welcome.

Hearts are a team with a great tradition, a club who are set on re-establishing themselves as a force in Scottish football

"The fact that my dad played for them obviously influenced my decision but I was determined to sign for a good team — and that's what I've done."

Hearts beat off opposition from both Airdrie and Arbroath and Conn also had a couple of offers from Second Division clubs in England but finally decided it was time to follow in his father's footsteps.

the club my father played for. If I

The pull of football and particularly 'Killie' was too strong, however, and he will shortly return as general manager with the club.

McCrae's back WALTER McCrae first made his

physiotherapist with Kilmarnock and Scotland's international

Then he took over as manager

at Rugby Park before quitting for

name as trainer and

a career in commerce.

'Although we parted company when I was manager I've always been on very friendly terms with the directors and everyone connected with the club.

"When I got the opportunity to make a comeback it took me all of two minutes to make up my

McCrae will have no influence on the playing side. He will concentrate on building up the commercial side of the club.



RANGERS' restless winger Billy McKay could get the chance of a lifetime — to join Arsenal.

McKay, one of several unsettled Ibrox stars in view of recent signings, has been attracting the attention of two unnamed English Second Division clubs.

But all that could melt into the background now that the mighty Highbury club have publicly declared their interest.

They are likely to ask for a first hand view of the player when they come north to play at the opening of the new Ibrox stand

Gunners

Left: Billy McKay . . . target for the Gunners.

Meanwhile the guessing game goes on as to what manager John Greig plans to do with his established players to accommodate new signings Jim Bett and Colin McAdam, who between them cost the club £330,000.

Among the experienced men whose futures are very much in doubt are Colin Jackson, Alex Miller, Tommy McLean and Kenny Watson. And that doesn't allow room

for the Ibrox boss to stick by his declared intention of giving several of his young stars their big chance.

THISTLE TARGET

PARTICK Thistle, searching frantically for replacements for Colin McAdam and Jim Melrose, are showing interest in Motherwell striker Bruce

Motherwell recently signed forward Chic McLelland (left) who was freed by Aberdeen and manager Ally MacLeod may now be prepared to let Clelland move on.

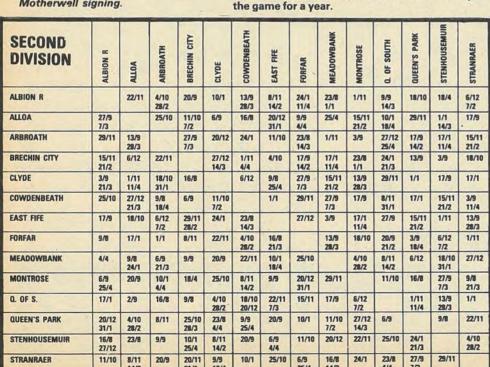
Ally may also go back to Aberdeen for another forward. He is a long time admirer of Duncan Davidson, who is available from Pittodrie.

ST JOHNSTONE's top scoring striker Jim Brogan is so incensed at the club's refusal to give him a cut of the £120,000 transfer fee agreed with Hibs that he has turned down the move and threatened to quit



McLelland Motherwell signing

recent





George Fleming on the move to St. Johnstone

Fleming moves

ST JOHNSTONE have signed up Dundee United midfield player George Fleming (above) as player coach at Muirton. Fleming joined manager Alex

Rennie on a fee of £10,000. Says Rennie: "George has the experience to bring out the best in our young players and I would hope he can continue playing for at least three more years.

Fleming, who is 31 won a League Cup medal with United last season.



Get a load of those boots! Bobby Moore and Ossie Ardiles find the cumbersome boots of yesteryear are a far cry from the slipper-like boots worn today.



Action . . . roll 'em . . . take on Pele is on the left.

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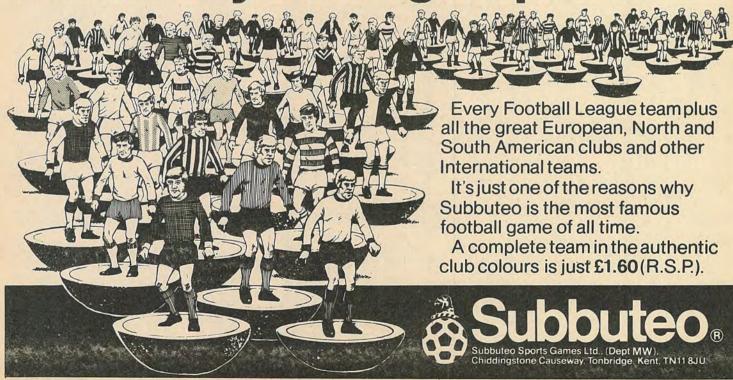
WHAT'S the connection betwee lpswich defender Kevin Beattie and cockney film star Michael Caine?

The answer lies in a new multi-million pound feature film due for release in the new year called "Escape to Victory".

Caine plays the part of one of a group of international war-time soccer stars imprisoned in a German camp, who challenge their captors to a match as part of an escape plan.

Though Caine is a keen

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Ardiles is pursued by Kevin Beattie, who doubled for Michael Caine, in a clip from the film.

Moore, Ardiles and Beattie are players who star in a new war film

Right: Take five. A welcome break

from filming for two of the world's footballing greats — Pele and Bobby Moore.

sportsman, he admits his football skill as a bustling striker does not match that of some of his co-stars who include Pele, **Bobby Moore and Osvaldo** Ardiles. And that's where the chirpy Beattie comes in.

He explained: "I was Michael Caine's double. All the long distance filming involving him

"We all had a good laugh on the set, although one day the director asked me to make a solo run of about 100 yards through tackles and finish up with a powerful shot, then Michael steps in out of breath to celebrate with the other players.

"I didn't mind that. The trouble was we had to do it three times on the trot before he was satisfied with the scene. I was shattered!"

Beattie's Ipswich team-mates Robin Turner, Russell Osman, John Wark, Laurie Sivell and



Kevin O'Callaghan were also in the film, together with Paul Cooper who acted as technical advisor to American actor Sylvester Stallone — star of 'Rocky' — who played the part of the Allies goalkeeper.



MY GREATEST SAVE

Leicester's 'Mr Ever-present' Mark Wallington recalls the best save he ever made.

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Top players reveal their superstitions.



- Tennis ball now a shuttlecock
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QUIZ ANSWERS

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Shrewsbury Town, 15 Roger Osborne.

TARTAN TEAM SEARCH





Make **PAUL HART Leeds United** FULL NAME: Paul Anthony Hart. BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Goldorne, Lancs, May 14, 1953. HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6ft 13/4in/13st 5lbs. MARRIED: Yes, to Vicki. CHILDREN: Jamie (4), Caroline (6 months) CAR: Blue Austin Princess. PREVIOUS CLUBS: Stockport County, Blackpool. TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: None, I joined Stockport from Wilbraham School in Manchester. CLUB NICKNAME: 'Harty' FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Mike Summerbee — a hard man, but a great character with terrific skill and pace. FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Manchester City. FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Gerson — a Brazilian with a great left foot. BEST ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM: Clemence; Madeley, J. Charlton, McFarland, Cooper; Bell, Ball, R. Charlton; Best, Law, Finney. ALL TIME INTERNATIONAL TEAM: Clemence; Madeley, McFarland (England), Beckenbauer (W. Germany), Cooper (England); R. Charlton (England), Maradona (Argentina), Gerson (Brazil); Best (N. Ireland), Pele (Brazil), G. Muller (W. Germany). Sub: Cruyff (Holland). FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: The Dell, South-**FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU** HAVE PLAYED: Fortuna Dusseldorf, Germany BEST GOAL SCORED: Playing for Blackpool in 1978 against Charlton, I beat the offside trap on the left and bent the ball round the 'keeper BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: In the 1958 World Cup final against Sweden, Pele, aged 17 at the time, flicked the ball over his head and hit it on the volley as it came down. MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: My first game for Leeds. We played Liverpool, I marked Dalglish and we won 1-0. OWN MAGIC MOMENT: Signing for Leeds in a £330,000 deal from Blackpool in 1978. BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing to Southampton in the 1979 League Cup semi-final. FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Cricket, badminton MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Reading, going to the MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Gardening. FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: M.A.S.H., Talk Shows. FAVOURITE READING: Autobiographies. FAVOURITE SINGER/MUSICIAN: Santana. **FAVOURITE FOOD: Dover sole FAVOURITE DRINK: Lager.** BEST COUNTRY VISITED: West Germany. FAVOURITE ACTORS: Jack Nicholson, Dustin Hoffman BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Kramer v BEST FRIEND: Trevor Cherry. BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father, Johnny Hart, who used to play for Manchester WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Hooliganism SUPERSTITIONS: I always put my shirt on first and my right boot first. INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: None, yet PRE-MATCH MEAL: Tea and toast. PERSONAL AMBITION: To play as long as I can. PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: I'd like to win a medal of some kind and play for my country. PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: John Lukic, our brilliant young goalkeeper. WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: President of the United States.

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